

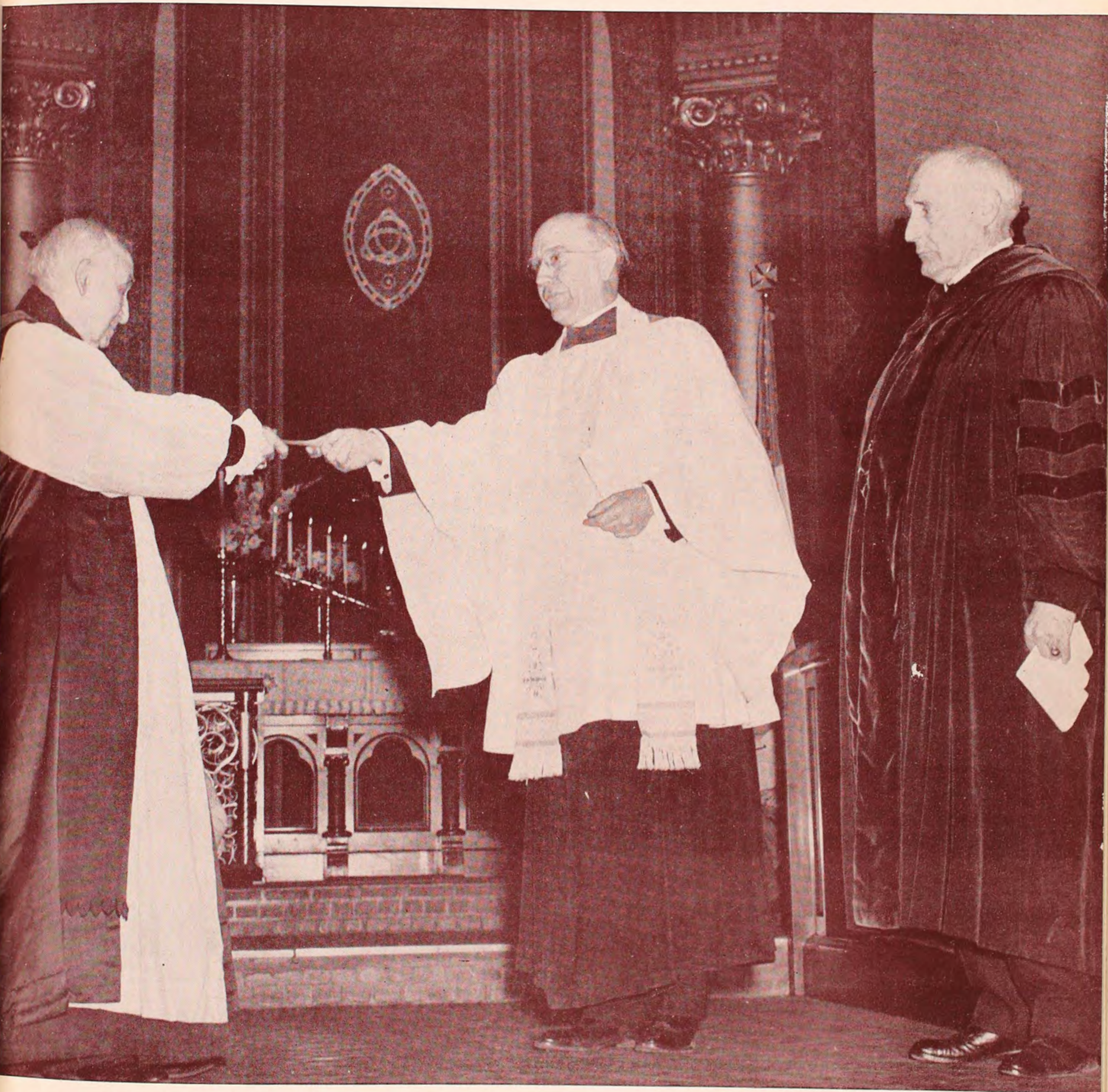
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OBJECT 1. To promote Unity of Diocesan Life by disseminating news of the Diocese, its institutions, parishes and missions, and by printing letters and pastorals by the Bishop from time to time.

2. To promote the Missionary and Benevolent Work of the Diocese by publishing reports and appeals, and by recording current news and events.

EDITORIALS

ENGLISH BISHOPS AND YOUNGER CLERGY ARRAIGNED

WHEN Dr. Joseph Fort Newton visited England recently he was disappointed to discover that people were not turning to the Church in war-time as eagerly as he had hoped. The same observation had already been made by *The Church Times* of London, the most influential Anglican paper in the world, which, in a series of searching articles, published before Dr. Newton's arrival, had placed much of the blame for this deplorable condition upon the bishops and younger priests.

At to the bishops, the criticism sounds much like Milton's historic lament, "The sheep look up and are not fed." The bishops, say the writers in *The Times*, are lacking in courage, statesmanship and social vision. Due allowance being made for the fact that some of the critics are clergymen, and that the clergy of a diocese, like Lincoln's Cabinet, usually think they could do a better job than their boss, the charges remain essentially true. Modern conditions of life and the insistent demand upon them to raise money, money, money, have made a large percentage of the bishops not spiritual leaders but business executives, confirming machines, and tools in the hands of amateur and professional money-raisers—which is not the ideal of the Church.

Particularly severe are the writers upon the younger clergy. They charge that these young men are poorly trained and therefore woeful failures in dealing with the ordinary healthy sinners in camp and factory, at work and at play. To succeed with these men and women *The Times* recommends, among other things, that the clergy have more and closer contacts with labor unions so that they might understand why and how men organize, and learn their ways of working together.

But above all the younger clergy should learn how to preach, says *The Times*. Apparently one of the Church's most costly mistakes has been to relegate preaching and teaching to a secondary place in the curriculum of the theological schools. The young priests can't preach. They have been entrusted with the most important message in the world, and haven't taken the trouble to learn how to deliver it.

These are serious charges, and though they were made only in the English Church, we in America should beware lest we come into the same condemnation.

EIGHTY YEARS

CONGRATULATIONS to everybody whose united efforts made the Bishop's eightieth anniversary a notable day in the history of the Diocese. To the one who first suggested such a novel and touching way of celebrating a birthday, to those who worked so long and so diligently in planning and perfecting arrangements, to the thousands of Church people, known and unknown, who so enthusiastically responded to make a gift of \$100,000 to the Episcopal Hospital we heartily say, "Well done!"

The Bishop's Message

MY eightieth birthday and its celebration at the Church of the Holy Trinity were thrilling occasions. On January 3 I received a great number of congratulatory cards and many beautiful flowers. My house was almost a bower. I cannot write to each donor, but I hope everyone will know how deeply I appreciated his thought of me. On that day I visited the hospitals and tried to comfort and cheer the sick.

The great thrill, however, was the service on Monday evening. The church was beautifully decorated and there was an immense congregation. The procession headed by the wonderful choir of St. Peter's Church, consisted of several hundred clergy, divinity students, the Standing Committee, doctors, nurses, and members of the Board of Episcopal Hospital, Mr. William H. Brehm, representing the Masonic order, members of the Woman's Auxiliary and diocesan officials. It was a most impressive sight, and the congregation was thrilled by the hearty and beautiful singing, under the able direction of its choirmaster and organist, Mr. Harold W. Gilbert. We were honored by the presence of the Rt. Rev. Frank W. Sterrett, D.D., Bishop of Bethlehem, who spoke for the American Episcopate, and the Rt. Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, D.D., Bishop of Delaware. The prayers were offered by the Rev. Franklin Joiner, D.D., President of the Standing Committee. The Very Rev. Charles W. Shreiner, D.D., with a few well-chosen remarks, presented the Chairman, Samuel Frederic Houston, LL.D., who in turn presented the speakers. The Presiding Bishop was prevented from being present, but sent a letter which was read by the Secretary of the House of Deputies, the Rev. Franklin J. Clark, D.D.

The greeting of the laity was given by the Hon. Roland S. Morris, LL.D., Chancellor of the Diocese and former United States Ambassador to Japan. The greeting of the clergy was magnificently made by the Rev. Canon Ernest C. Earp, D.D., rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr. Dr. Houston then presented the Bishop who made his address. After this Mrs. Dorothy Johnstone Baseler played Handel's "Largo," which lifted our very souls to heaven. Then the closing prayers and benediction were given by the Bishop. Previous to the benediction, St. Peter's Choir sang most sweetly "Silent Night" while the whole congregation was in an attitude of prayer and deeply impressed everyone.

A joy of the evening was the fulfilment of the Bishop's birthday request for \$100,000 for Episcopal Hospital. A check for this amount from the members of the Diocese was presented to him by the Very Rev. Granville Taylor, D.D., Dean of the West Philadelphia Convocation and Trustee of the hospital, and the Bishop then presented the check to Mr. R. Alexander Montgomery, representing the hospital. This was a spontaneous gift. No committee or collector had been appointed. A circular letter was sent to each communicant, so far as that was possible.

Events like this make a man feel that it is worthwhile to live eighty years, and I heartily thank God for the wonderful health He has given me during the more than fifty-eight years of my ministry.

Ash Wednesday, February 18, is the beginning of Lent, when the Church offers us so many opportunities for spiritual development. At 12:30 P. M. on that day the Bishop will make the opening address in the annual noon-day Lenten services sponsored by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at the Locust Street Theatre. Throughout Lent a daily service at that hour, Saturdays excepted, will be held at that theatre. Noonday services will be held six days a week at St. Stephen's Church, Christ Church, and others. It is hoped that everyone in the Diocese will embrace these opportunities. The best preachers obtainable will be heard at these services and prayers will be offered constantly that their words and work may find their way into the hearts of the multitudes who attend.



THE RT. REV. FRANCIS
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CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

THE BISHOP

January 18—2nd Sunday after Epiphany
Morning—Philadelphia, Good Shepherd, Germantown
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. John, West Oak Lane
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Gabriel

January 21—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, Atonement

January 22—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. George, Venango

January 23—Friday
Evening—Ambler, Trinity

January 25—Conversion of St. Paul (3rd Sunday after Epiphany)
Morning—Philadelphia, St. Martin, Chestnut Hill
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. James the Less
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Timothy's, Roxborough

January 28—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. George, Richmond

January 29—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Luke, Kensington

February 1—Septuagesima Sunday
Morning—Philadelphia, Christ and St. Michael
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Luke, Germantown
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Mark, Frankford

February 15—Quinquagesima Sunday
Morning—Philadelphia, St. Nathanael
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Mary, Hamilton Village
Evening—Philadelphia, Zion

February 18—Ash Wednesday
Evening—Wyncote, All Hallows

February 19—Thursday
Evening—Eddystone, St. Luke

February 22—First Sunday in Lent
Morning—Ardmore, St. Mary
Afternoon—Aronimink, Holy Comforter
Evening—Philadelphia, St. James, Kingsessing

February 24—St. Matthias Day (Tuesday)
Evening—Newtown, St. Luke

February 25—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. James, Hestonville

February 26—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, Covenant

February 27—Friday
Evening—Oaks, St. Paul

THE VISITING BISHOP

The Rt. Rev. George Allen Beecher, D.D.,
Missionary Bishop of Western Nebraska

February 8—Sexagesima Sunday
Morning—Bridgeport, Christ, Upper Merion
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. George, West
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Bartholomew, Wissinoming

February 9—Monday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Mary's Chapel

February 10—Tuesday
Evening—Philadelphia, Phillips Brooks Memorial Chapel

February 11—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Christopher

February 12—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Paul, North Penn

February 13—Friday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Luke, Germantown

February 15—Quinquagesima Sunday
Morning—Philadelphia, Christ and St. Michael
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Luke and Epiphany
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Mark, Frankford

February 18—Ash Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, Prince of Peace Chapel

February 20—Friday
Evening—Philadelphia, Crucifixion

February 22—First Sunday in Lent
Morning—Philadelphia, Redemption
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Elisabeth
Evening—Philadelphia, Calvary

February 23—Monday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Paul Memorial

February 24—St. Matthias Day (Tuesday)
Evening—Springfield, Redeemer

February 25—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Cyprian, Elmwood

February 26—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, Holy Communion

February 27—Friday
Evening—Collingdale, Trinity

N. Phila. Convocation Elects Dr. John K. Shryock as Dean

Election of a new dean to succeed the Very Rev. Percy R. Stockman, who has given more than eight years to its leadership, took place at the annual meeting of the Convocation of North Philadelphia at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Kensington, on Wednesday, January 21. The Rev. Dr. John K. Shryock, rector of the Church of the Incarnation, was chosen unanimously.

Names placed in nomination for the deanship by the nominating committee were the Rev. Messrs. Arthur Murray, Church of the Resurrection; W. Roulston McKean, St. Matthew's Church, Francisville; E. Felix Kroman, Christ Church, Philadelphia, and Franklin Joiner, D.D., St. Clement's Church. Dr. Shryock was nominated from the floor.

Others elected were:

Secretary, Rev. Herbert W. Jones; treasurer, Henry C. Lawser; Executive Committee—Rev. Messrs. Percy R. Stockman, Arthur Murray, E. Felix Kroman and Messrs. Chris Wylde, C. S. Rockey and John Kremer.

At the dinner following the elections the speakers were the Bishop and the Rev. Lee L. Rose, who brought from the Philippine Islands, where he has spent the last fifteen years, the story of the Church's work among the native population in that Far Eastern outpost which is now besieged and partially occupied by the Japanese.

J. S. Stephenson Elected Rector at St. Mary's, H. V.

The Rev. John Samuel Stephenson, for the last five years assistant minister at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill, has been elected rector of St. Mary's, Hamilton Village, to succeed the Rev. William B. Stimson, now a chaplain in the U. S. Army. Fr. Stephenson takes up his new duties on February 1.

Fr. Stephenson, who served as assistant minister at St. John's, Cynwyd, and later at St. John the Baptist, Germantown, before going to St. Martin-in-the-Fields in 1937, is well known to the youth of the Diocese, among whom he has been an active worker.

BROTHERHOOD ELECTS NEW ASSEMBLY OFFICERS

The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Diocesan Assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held December 1 at St. Matthew's Church, 18th Street and Girard Avenue. After a short evensong service, the meeting convened at supper. The chaplain of the Assembly, the Rev. Dr. Hugh E. Montgomery, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, said that the only way to keep the Brotherhood an active organization was to get out and work for it and work with it.

The speaker of the evening was the Hon. Franklin Spencer Edmonds, a member of St. Matthew's Chapter. Mr. Edmonds gave an interesting talk on the history of the Brotherhood. He said that there had been a chapter at St. Matthew's for more than 45 years. He also told of some of his experiences with Brotherhood work during the war of 1914-1918, how in times of duress men had turned to the Church and that the Brotherhood had been on the job.

At the business session the following were elected to the Executive Committee

of the Diocesan Assembly for 1941-1942:
Chaplain—Rev. D. Wilmot Gateson, D.D., Church of the Saviour.

President—John P. Goheen, Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown.

Vice-President—W. Ross Baley, Jr., Holy Trinity, Lansdale.

Treasurer—David D. Kuder, St. Thomas', Whitmarsh.

Secretary—Henry C. Beck, Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown.

Also elected to the Executive Committee were: Percival H. Granger, Norman H. Mason, John Fay, Alvin Jackson, Richard Evans, E. H. Newell, A. J. Millette, George W. Wilkins, Roger Taylor, J. Howard Pennebecker, George H. Randall, Albert C. Brand.

Headquarters of the Pennsylvania Assembly are now located at 123 S. Broad Street. All inquiries should be addressed to the secretary at that address.

League for Isolated

The Church League for the Isolated will meet Friday, February 6, at 10:30 A. M., in Room 1, Church House.

MAY BELLE SYLE,
Chairman

1941 Parish Report Blanks

... are ready for distribution and can be obtained in Room 22, Church House. They must be returned to the Bishop by February 1, 1942. Your kind consideration will be appreciated.

RICHARD J. MORRIS,
Secretary.

The BISHOP'S WISH CAME TRUE—\$100,000

Hundreds at 80th Birthday Celebration in Holy Trinity Church Applaud Presentation

BISHOP TAITT'S 80th birthday anniversary is part of the history of the Diocese of Pennsylvania now.

Into the record has gone the fact that on January 5, two days after his birthday, the Very Rev. Granville Taylor, D.D., presented to the Bishop a check for \$100,000, representing the Thanksgiving Offering from the people of the Diocese, 1500 of whom filled the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets, for the presentation service.

Also it is recorded that the Bishop immediately afterward presented the check to Episcopal Hospital, represented by R. Alexander Montgomery, chairman of the hospital's Board of Managers.

The history books won't have a line about the folks who said \$100,000 couldn't be raised, nor that every one, including those who uttered that gloomy prediction, was glad the forecast was wrong—so glad, in fact, that 1500 pairs of hands frightened their owners half to death by fairly shaking the church with a spontaneous burst of applause.

The records may not have much to say about who raised the money, so it ought to be said right here that it probably wouldn't have been raised if the Very Rev. Charles W. Shreiner, D.D., headmaster of Church Farm School, Dean of Chester Convocation and chairman of the diocesan Field Department, hadn't been pushing things along. He had some valuable help, but he really turned the trick.

At the service in Holy Trinity—the official celebration of the Bishop's birthday—the procession was led by the Bishop's favorite choir—St. Peter's, directed by Harold W. Gilbert. There followed representatives of the Bishop's graduating class at Central High School, William H. Brehm, Past Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania; nurses, doctors, staff members and board members of Episcopal Hospital; faculty and students of Philadelphia Divinity School, of which the Bishop is the oldest active alumnus; diocesan and parish officers of the Woman's Auxiliary, deaconesses, members of the Standing Committee, the Cathedral Chapter, and Executive Council; the clergy of the Diocese; deans of

May Ask for Coadjutor, Bishop Taitt Announces

One of the big surprises of the Bishop's 80th birthday celebration was his announcement, not heard by many of the congregation, that although he felt physically able to carry on the burden of his episcopal office he had determined to ask the Diocesan Convention next May for a bishop coadjutor. He would specifically request, he said, a man born in this century so that the viewpoint and experience of a younger man might be available to him.

Owing to the many possibilities opened up by the Bishop's announcement little can be said until he has actually made his wishes known to the Diocesan Convention. What follows, of course, will be prescribed by the Canons of the Church, and the Canons that apply will be determined by the form and substance of his request.

the Convocations; and representatives of General Convention and the American Episcopate.

Officiants in the service were the Rev. Franklin Joiner, D.D., president of the Standing Committee, and the Rev. E. Frank Salmon, D.D., rector of Holy Trinity.

Dr. Shreiner made the following address:

"We are met together tonight on this happiest of occasions to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the birth of our beloved friend and Bishop. Bishop Taitt well knows of his place in the hearts of his people. We all love him. For nearly 60 years, he has been a priest of this Diocese and for twelve years our Bishop. Those of us who have worked with him intimately have reason to know of the height of his loyalty and faith. For 80 years, he has been a devoted and loving subject of the King of Kings.

"The Diocese of Pennsylvania, and its bishops back to the days of the early Republic, have been richly blessed through one episcopate after another by the unswerving support and generosity of the outstanding families of our

Church. In the entire history of the Diocese, no other family has done more than the Houstons. This is true of the present generation as well as the past. Time after time, have they come forward to aid one cause or another in the life of our Church, and time after time, have we been blessed by their interest in the welfare of the Church in this Diocese as well as in the missionary field of the National Church.

"It seems most fitting at this service in honor of our Bishop that he should have made the request that Mr. Houston be the one to speak for the people of our Diocese. It gives me great pleasure to present to you as the Master of Ceremonies our Lay Canon, Samuel Frederic Houston, Doctor of Laws. Mr. Houston."

Dr. Houston then introduced Dr. Taylor, who presented the check to the Bishop. Not until the very end of Dr. Taylor's presentation address did the congregation know that the Bishop's birthday wish was to be completely realized. It was then that the applause burst out. Dr. Taylor said:

"Bishop Taitt, when you were asked several months ago what the Diocese might do to give you the greatest happiness on your 80th birthday, you began to talk about the Episcopal Hospital. You stated how proud you were of that great institution and how concerned you were lest the Diocese should not give it adequate support to enable it to meet the many demands made upon it by the sick. You stated that nothing would give you greater happiness on your birthday than to have the Diocese raise a fund of \$100,000 as a Thanksgiving Offering for the Episcopal Hospital.

"Acting upon your suggestion, plans were made and the challenge was sent throughout the Diocese to every parish and mission. The response was instant and gratifying. The communicants of the Diocese, from the youngest to the oldest, responded most generously. The clergy cooperated in every possible way. Special mention should be made, I think, of Dr. Shreiner, Dean of the Convocation of Chester, who played a very conspicuous part in this great undertaking.

"This offering has been raised by the Diocese out of gratitude to Almighty God for your long life of faithful service to the Master, His Church, and especially this Diocese. It is being given as a token of the high esteem and affectionate regard with which you are held in the Diocese.

"I count it indeed a very great privilege to present to you in honor of your 80th birthday, this Thanksgiving Offering of the Diocese—a check for \$100,000."

The Bishop expressed his pleasure at the gift and immediately called for Mr. Montgomery, of the hospital board, to whom he in turn presented the \$100,000.

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MORNING PRAYER

And ITS MUSIC

By the REV. HERBERT BOYCE SATCHER
Vicar, St. Aidan's Chapel, Cheltenham

THE two services of Morning and Evening Prayer, to which the old names of Mattins and Evensong still cling, are known as the Daily or Choir Offices. Ideally they should be said or sung daily in the Choir of every Church. The Prayer Book takes this for granted by providing a complete Lectionary, or Table of Scripture Lessons, not merely for every Sunday and Holy Day, but for every day of the year, and by apportioning the whole Psalter on the basis of a month of thirty days, with a section for the Morning and Evening of each day.

The daily use of these Offices is also implicit in their very titles: "The Order for Daily Morning (or Evening) Prayer." But conditions in modern industrialized and paganized America seem not to be conducive to such use. Indeed it has become impossible in a great many parishes to hold any service, even on Sundays, later than noon, if a congregation is to be assembled. Now the great Christian Sacrifice of the Eucharist may be offered vicariously by the priest and a handful of devout worshippers in the name of the multitude of absent "saints," who, having enjoyed their weekly Saturday night fling, are "rejoicing in their beds" on Sunday morning. But the incongruity of extending the process to the Daily Offices is apparent when the true nature of these offices is understood. The heart of them is found in the selection from the Psalter, and in the two Scripture Lessons. And, except for these Lessons, they are designed to be sung. So those who gather for them should be sufficient in number to render them worthily according to the standard set in the parish, whether it be very simply, or in a more elaborate manner.

Historically, the Choir Offices are an outgrowth of the so-called "hour services," constructed originally for use in monasteries and convents by groups of the professed "religious," living according to strict rule in community. There are eight of these daily monastic hour services: Mattins, Lauds, Prime, Terce, Sext, None, Vespers, and Compline. They consist of Scripture Readings, Psalms, Hymns, Canticles, Antiphons, Versicles and Responses, Creed, Prayers; not all of these elements in every one of the services, but set out in a logical pattern, and some of them quite brief. At the time of the Reformation in England, the two offices, substantially as we know them today, were issued as a

condensation and simplification of the hour services, using most of their essential material with some additions and constructed according to their general pattern.

Looking specifically at the service of Morning Prayer, we may dismiss briefly the two elements of Scripture Reading and Exhortation as not coming within the scope of this article. The Exhortations are purely Reformation formulae and are happily disappearing from use, not for that reason, but because they are no longer needed and are not congenial to our ideas of worship. The Scripture Lessons are extremely important, and should be used always, if the symmetry of the service is to be preserved. Omission of one Lesson throws the liturgical pattern out of balance. The remaining portions may be grouped as follows from the musical standpoint:

1. **RESPONSIVE PRAISE AND PRAYER.** This will include the two sets of Versicles and Responses, the Creed, Lord's Prayer and Collects. These may be sung either to the Plainchant setting in unison, or to the harmonized version by Tallis, both of which are found in (1) *The Choral Service. Complete Edition for Clergy and Organists.* \$2. *Choir and Congregational Edition.* 25 Cents. (New York. The H. W. Gray Co.); and (2) *A Service Book and Short Psalter.* By Louis E. Daniels. (New York. Oxford University Press. 30 Cents.) Amens and Responses should never be sung by choir and congregation unless the preceding Collect or Versicle has been monotoned or inflected by the minister. He should always be answered in kind (liturgically, at any rate). It is customary to use inflexion only for the Versicles and Collects, saying the following Prayers in the natural speaking voice.

2. **PSALMS AND CANTICLES CHANTED.** As is well known, two systems of chanting are current among us, the Plainsong and the Anglican. Those who use the former will find what they need for the Canticles in the back of the present *Hymnal*, and for the Psalms in Canon Douglas's *The Plainsong Psalter* (New York. The H. W. Gray Co. \$2.). As far as Anglican chanting is concerned, we are living in a transition period. Our chanting is therefore in a fluid state. All agree that some form of the natural speech-rhythm method must be used. The pointing of the Canticles and Psalms for Anglican chanting in

The American Psalter, and of the Canticles in the back of the present *Hymnal*, is now completely discredited. But no one has yet published in America a book containing the complete Psalter and Canticles pointed according to the speech-rhythm method. The nearest thing to it is Canon Daniels' excellent *Service Book and Short Psalter* mentioned above. It contains the Choral Service, the Canticles, and thirty Psalms, with chants.

The *Venite* (with its Antiphon, when used) is presumably always chanted. In most parishes this is true of at least one of the other Canticles, sometimes of both. *Te Deum* does not lend itself to being chanted, and *Benedicite* is too long, unless several chants can be used in the same rendition. Any one of the other three Canticles may very well be chanted.

3. **CANTICLES SUNG TO ANTHEM SETTINGS.** Generally a good rule to follow, where conditions permit, is to sing the Cantic after one Lesson to an anthem setting and after the other to a chant. Many excellent anthem settings are available. Among them are the following:

- (1). *Te Deum*
Parry in D (Novello). Unison
Phillips in E flat (Faith Press)
Martin Shaw in E flat (Curwen)
Smart in F (Gray)
Stanford in B flat (Ditson).
Festival
Wesley in F (Novello). Chant form
- (2). *Benedictus Es Domine*
Barnes in E (Presser)
Candlyn in C (Schmidt)
Matthews in A flat (Gray)
Noble in A minor (Schmidt)
Willan in E flat (Gray)
- (3). *Benedicite*
Ireland in F (Curwen)
Stokowski in F (Gray)
Tomblings (Oxford). Chant form

All of the above use the contracted form of the words, and must be adapted to the present text of the American Prayer Book for the last verse.

- (4). *Benedictus*
Goss in A (Novello). Unison
Ireland in F (Novello)
Nicholson in D flat (Novello)
- (5). *Jubilate*
Martin Shaw in E flat (Curwen)
Stanford in B flat (Ditson).
Festival
Charles Wood in A flat (Birchard)

4. **HYMNS AND ANTHEMS.** Care should be exercised in choosing these so as to make them harmonize with the theme of each service, as far as a particular theme can be established, or at least so that they shall be in accord with the spirit of the service for which they are chosen.

The GIRLS' *Friendly* SOCIETY

By MADELEINE T. SPIESS

Diocesan President and National Vice-President-at-Large

IT was announced last spring that under the auspices of the Senior Members Club the sum of \$800 had been raised to purchase two mobile kitchen-trailers to be sent through the English Speaking Union for service to bombed-out civilians in Britain. A recent letter to the Philadelphia Branch of the Union expresses gratitude for the gift and tells something of its application. Instead of two trailers, 13 Food Boxes were purchased to be used in England and Northern Ireland, because "the Food Box seems to answer the purpose where canteens and other larger mobile units cannot get through the streets after air raids. These Food Boxes can be carried by two people. They contain a special type of Thermo Urn and enough crockery to give hot tea or soup to nearly 70 people. The Food Box has been evolved out of the results and experiences of the raids, and yours is the first gift to have been made by anyone."

The writer of the letter, a Mrs. Biscoe, secretary of the English Speaking Union War Relief, goes on to say that she had notified the London Headquarters of the G. F. S. of this gift from their sisters across the sea.

An even more personal story comes in a letter to Miss Margaret Smythe, branch president, St. Barnabas Church, Haddington, from a friend whose daughter is working with the D. V. S. in London. This young girl, called out to dangerous service one night, saw to her amazement one of these Food Boxes marked "Gift of the Girls' Friendly Society of Philadelphia!" Somehow one sees through these few and simple words the whole story of the G. F. S.—friendship and fellowship and service at home and abroad—"one family in Christ."

Friendship, fellowship and service are indeed the factors which explain the continuing life of the society and its influence not only in an international sense, but also right here in our own Diocese of Pennsylvania, as manifested in two recent birthday celebrations. The Church of the Incarnation Branch, Broad and Jefferson Streets, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary to the very day on November 26. Gold-colored linens and yellow floral decorations spoke for the golden jubilee. Between dinner courses one of the "first-nighters" read a paper of recollections of their first

leader, Mrs. Childs; and the latter's daughter, Mrs. Schepler, also an early associate of the Branch, told the group how happy it made her to see in the lives of the women present a testimonial to the work of her mother and the influence of the society.

The fortieth anniversary of the St. Barnabas, Haddington, Branch was celebrated in October with all the gaiety and spirit for which this group is noted. Miss Margaret Smythe, branch president and diocesan chairman of Younger Members, was toastmistress and called on representatives of all the groups to speak on the general theme, *Sharing Responsibilities*. Each in turn, from an embarrassed little Candidate to branch officers, testified to the unity, purpose and achievements of this fine group.

THE one big diocesan activity last month was a rally on December 4 at St. Giles' Mission, Stonehurst. This was the first rally of the winter and there were approximately 125 present.

The Rev. Samuel N. Baxter, Jr., of the Church of the Atonement, Morton, and the Church of the Redeemer, Springfield, said the opening prayers, and the Rev. T. Norman Mason, vicar of St. Giles' and one of diocesan clergy advisors, welcomed the group.

Mr. Mason expressed the hope that young people would become so imbued with Christian ideals and principles that after the war they may be able to cope with the great changes and build a Christian world.

Edward Potter, diocesan Y. P. F. president, introduced members of the executive council, and after some group singing a humorous one-act play, "Pineapple Salad," was presented by the Fellowship of St. Ambrose Mission. Marcia Bell, of Trinity Mission, Collingdale, accompanied on the piano by Mary Boggs, of St. Anne's Mission, Willow Grove, sang a group of popular songs. Dancing and refreshments brought the evening to a close.

The diocesan Council decided unanimously that while everyone was trying to save money for national defense it

Miss Gertrude Noar, principal of Gillespie Junior High School, brought the program to a close with a stirring and deeply moving talk on *The Challenge of Democracy to the Women of Today*.

To this varied "family" the diocesan organization welcomes two new members, Branches recently established at St. Martin-in-the-Fields and at Emmanuel, Holmesburg. The leadership in both these new groups—of younger members, naturally—is expressive of the best in G. F. S. training. At the former the acting Branch president is Miss Jane Armstrong, active member of Christ Church and St. Michael's and a member of the Publicity Department of the society; at Holmesburg the leader is Mrs. Frederick T. Barbour, a newcomer from Boston where she was a member of the G. F. S. at Trinity Church. She did not find herself quite at home here until she had become active in our ranks.

The Diocesan Council held its mid-winter meeting Wednesday afternoon and evening, January 21, in Church House. Dinner was served at the Churchwoman's Club, 1919 Walnut Street. The "Talent Money" raised for the diocesan treasury was presented at that time in a service conducted by Rev. J. S. Stephenson, Jr., who spoke on *Sacrifice*.

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The YOUNG PEOPLE'S *Fellowship*

By JEAN H. SPARKMAN

would be unpatriotic to spend as lavishly as in previous years on the annual dance, which was scheduled for January 10 at the Penn Athletic Club. A much more modest affair was held on that date at a nearby country club, thus saving several hundred dollars.

Many of the leaders and members of the Fellowship are serving the country in the army, navy, marines, coast guard and nursing corps, and more will be joining up. It is now up to the younger boys and girls to carry on the Y. P. F. work.

Another new parochial group has been added to the diocesan organization—the Y. P. F. of the Church of the Redemption, 56th and Market Streets. A group from the Chester Convocation is expected to join soon.

Chester Convocation had an old clothes dance at St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, on November 15. Discarded garments collected as the admission fee were earmarked for St. Martha's House. On January 20 the convocation will have a skating party at the Great Leopard Rink in Chester.

Northwest Convocation cleared nearly \$30 at a barn dance. In connection with their service work, Northwest is giving a play at the Home for Consumptives, Chestnut Hill.

RELIGIOUS *Education*

DEPARTMENT

By ELIZABETH P. FRAZIER
Field Secretary

THE mission study theme for the children in connection with the 1942 Lenten Offering is *Worship Around the World*. In this year of war it will be important for us as Christians to see that hatred does not develop in us or in our children for the people of Japan, Germany and Italy. The theme, *Worship Around the World*, will help us toward this end as we learn of people of all countries and races worshipping as we do, praying the Lord's Prayer and other prayers as we do.

Also it is important for us to support generously our missionary work at this time. It is something concrete that Christians can do toward the building of a just and durable peace.

"O, Lord, hear and bless Thy children of every place and nation as they pray" is the inscription running around the four sides of the 1942 Lenten Offering box. Above it are pictured kneeling children from many lands. Of course, it fits in with the Forward in Service emphasis for the year. The National Council also has issued, as usual, a service of worship called *All One Body We*; stories and study suggestions for younger and older children; a poster in color illustrating *Worship Around the World*.

A new feature this year is an offering envelope that can be used with or instead of the offering box. The six stories for the younger children, called *We do these things together*, are included in the leader's book for 10 cents or may be bought separately for 5 cents a set. *The Church Is One* is the title of the stories for older children and the arrangement and price is the same as those for the younger children. The books are attractive and the stories good. The material is so arranged that it can be used for a six-week study in the church school class or week-day group; as the basis for the church school services or the children's Lenten services. Japan is not mentioned as a place where our Lenten offering goes, due to the fact that the Church in Japan is functioning without aid from America by order of the Japanese Government. The Church there is still very active and welcomes our prayers.

It is necessary, with children particularly, to make the offering as concrete as possible. There are many ways

of helping them to see what their money will do. Some church schools pretend that they are paying the salary of a missionary for a certain number of weeks or months. They apportion parts of it to each class. Some schools make it more graphic by building up a poster or chart as the salary is raised. This can be done with other items in the budget, and, with a little imagination on the part of the teachers and children, an interesting and educational project can be coordinated with the study theme for the year. Ideas for specific schemes will be available in the Religious Education room at Church House.

News Notes

There is still time to attend most of the sessions of the Winter Conference which began on Tuesday, January 13, in Church House and Holy Trinity Parish House. Offering a variety of courses, it will run for five consecutive Tuesday nights from 5:45 P. M. to 9:55 P. M.

The families who started family prayers during the octave of Epiphany as part of the Forward in Service program of this diocese will be glad to know that they may borrow books or buy other worship materials in the Religious Education room at Church House. The Forward Movement Commission puts out an attractive Family Prayer Card for one cent. There are books of prayers for boys and girls of different ages. Some families find it a good idea for each child to have a book of prayers from which he can select one to read at family prayers each day. An illustrated book, which comes from England and costs forty cents, is *I Will Think of Jesus*. It can be made a family prayer book, with your favorite prayers entered on its blank pages.

It is too early to report the totals of the Advent Offering, which this year goes to St. Monica's and St. George's, Venango. Has your church school sent in its contribution? Both places would like to get their additions and renovations under way. Nearly \$900 of this year's offering already is in hand.

Deacon from Here Serving 4 Missions in W. Nebraska

When the Rev. William Fulforth Staton was ordered deacon here last October, he elected to accept appointment to the mission field in Western Nebraska where his great uncle, the late Rev. Charles Fulforth, began his ministry 60 years earlier. His first assignment upon reaching Western Nebraska consisted of two mission stations. They have since been increased to four.

Mr. Staton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Staton, 6708 North Woodstock Street. His father is organist and choirmaster at the Church of the Redemption, 56th and Market Streets, Philadelphia.

Church Periodical Club

Keeping the King James Version of the Bible on its shelves is one of the major problems of the Philadelphia Free Library, it was revealed by Miss Margaret Hinckley, of the library's staff, in her talk at a recent meeting of the Church Periodical Club. As rapidly as the Book is removed, Miss Hinckley said, the library replaces it, arriving, meanwhile, no nearer the answer to the question: Does someone actually want these Bibles, or are they taken by someone who wants to keep the King James Version out of circulation?

The suspicion that library shelves are woefully lacking in literature on the Episcopal Church was confirmed also by Miss Hinckley.

The new Ways and Means Committee, of which Mrs. Theodore J. Grayson is chairman, made its debut recently at a dessert luncheon. A recital followed with Isabel Jacobs Ruth, dramatic reader, Marie Hipwell, 'cellist, and Elda Smith, pianist, providing an enjoyable program. Through the work of this committee we hope to be able to purchase needed books for use right here in our own Diocese.

The Annual Meeting of the Church Periodical Club on January 23 was followed by a Luncheon at the Women's City Club.

MARY M. H. ONYX.

Army Chaplain Provides Snacks

Proof that our chaplains in the military establishment are doing a real job is found in the following comment, clipped from a recent issue of *The Pennsylvania Guardsman*, official 28th Division newspaper.

"Chaplains do more than keep the minds and morals of soldiers straight. The experience of the 103d Engineers has been for their chaplain, Percy G. Hall, to keep both body and soul together with a magical presentation of his 'roving cafeteria.' Chaplain Hall, carrying canned foods and his own gas stove, has often supplied the necessary vitamins to his men, sometimes as late as 11:30 at night."

ST. STEPHEN'S, PHILA., CALLS BROOKLYN RECTOR

The election of the Rev. Alfred William Price, rector of St. Philip's Church, Dyker Heights, Brooklyn, N. Y., to the rectorship of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, which has been vacant since the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Vincent C. Franks in June, 1939, was announced to the congregation by Dr. Herbert Old, rector's warden, on Sunday morning, January 18. Mr. Price will assume his duties some time prior to Palm Sunday, it is expected.

The newly elected rector is a native of Scranton, and is 42 years old. After attending Bethlehem Preparatory School he served with the Marines in the World War, was wounded and cited for valor by Marshal Petain, later being decorated with the Order of the Purple Heart. After the war he completed his collegiate work at University of Pennsylvania and was graduated in 1926. He studied at Oxford the following year and later at the New York School of Social Work. He was graduated from Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass., and ordained priest in 1929.

Before going to St. Philip's in 1931 he served parishes in Massachusetts and East Orange, N. J. In Brooklyn he was on the Diocesan Council, was chairman of the Department of Publicity and a member of the Board of Managers of the Church Charities Foundation of Long Island. He is Episcopal chaplain of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, Department of New York. In 1939 he was president of the Brooklyn Federation of Churches and since that time has been president of the Long Island Clerical League.

Numerous religious works from his pen have been published, including a volume of sermons in 1937. In 1931 he married Elizabeth Q. Van Dyke, of Orange, N. J. They have three children.

In accepting the call Mr. Price wrote: "I wish to state how greatly I look forward to my association with the work of St. Stephen's. It is indeed a humbling experience to face becoming the eighth rector of St. Stephen's for I realize the greatness of the heritage of the past."

Since the resignation of Dr. Franks nearly four years ago the Rev. Herbert W. Jones has been minister in charge. It is understood that his connection with St. Stephen's will terminate with the coming of the new rector.

Parish Thespians Ready to Go

Three one-act plays will be presented by the Courtyard Players in the parish hall of the Church of the Saviour, 3723 Chestnut Street, at 8:30 P. M., Wednesday and Thursday, January 28 and 29. The players are directed by Mabel Wright. The plays are "Riders to the Sea," "The £12 Look," and "The Florist Shop."

DR. WM. H. JEFFERYS SAYS GOODBYE TO CITY MISSION

When Dr. William H. Jefferys' resignation as superintendent of Episcopal City Mission becomes effective on February 2 there comes to an end a period of more than 40 years of service to the Church in two continents—a service of such value in both its scientific and its spiritual aspects as to be virtually immeasurable; a service that began in St. Luke's Hospital, Shanghai, where he entered upon a medical and surgical career that earned distinction for him in the scientific world, and ends at the Church's refuge for the poor, the sick and those in prison.

Dr. Jefferys was born in Philadelphia, a son of Charles Peter Beauchamp and Elizabeth Miller Jefferys. He is a brother of the Rev. Dr. Edward M. Jefferys, who was for more than thirty years rector of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.

Receiving his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1898, the young doctor spent some time in settling himself in his profession before enlisting in the devout army of churchmen in the mission field and sailing for China. Meanwhile he had married.

At Shanghai he plunged into the busy life of the hospital, and in 1905 he became professor of surgery in St. John's University, holding the chair until 1913. For eleven years he was editor of the China Medical Journal.

Returning to the United States he accepted the superintendency of City Mission in 1915, and the Christlike quality of its ministry, the high place it holds in the community regard, are tributes to his devoted efforts.

It is not a common thing to find in a man of science a religious life so deeply rooted as Dr. Jefferys'. Mystic and medico, he is a living contradiction of the theory that science and religion won't mix. He not only mixes them, but he knows how to compound them into a potent prescription against the ills and evils that destroy men.

Probably one of the best keys to the mind and heart and life of Dr. Jefferys is afforded by a glance over a list of his writings: *The Great Mystery*, 1900; *Hospital Dialogue* (in Shanghai dialect), 1906; (in Pekinese Mandarin), 1908; *The Diseases of China*, 1910; *Life of Bishop Ingle*, 1913; *The Mystical Companionship of Jesus*, 1919; *The Shuffling Coolie*, and *Other Plays*, 1913; *How Can We Know the Way?* 1921; *The City Mission Idea*, 1922; *The Mystical Assurance of Immortality*, 1924; *Reasonable Faith*; *The Discovery of God*; *The Key to Divine Reality*, 1934.

He is a member of the China Medical Missionary Association, American So-



DR. WILLIAM H. JEFFERYS

ciety of Tropical Medicine, Royal Asiatic Society, Society of Tropical Medicine, London; Delta Phi; Fellow, College of Physicians of Philadelphia; honorary Fellow, China Medical Society (China); and was president of the American Association of China in 1909-10.

But perhaps the whole picture of the man is best brought into focus by the words of Dr. Jefferys himself in this excerpt from his farewell to the City Mission:

"We have often been asked the question—what has the Christian Church to give through City Missions that has value of supreme importance and significance? I desire to answer that question very definitely and without any equivocation that through her City Missions the Christian Church again and again throughout the years reproduces that masterpiece of all beauty—Jesus, the Son of God, surrounded in loving fellowship by all the sick of the world, receiving His healing of perfect love and welcome. That has been my objective through these 25 years and the many missionary years that preceded them; and I leave with you this, my lifelong prayer:

"My Christ, I desire above all things that men may know Thee as Thou art."

EDITOR'S NOTE—A biographical sketch of the Rev. James M. Collins, rector, Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia, who succeeds Dr. Jefferys as superintendent of City Mission, will appear in the next issue of THE CHURCH NEWS.

The President's Letter

THESE days call for activity, but they also call for thinking and prayer. We would do well to take to heart the Call of the National Council:

"What a glorious day of opportunity for the Church!

"Democracy without Faith in God and good will cannot survive. The Church of the living Christ is the last and only bulwark which can stem the tide of the times. 'Not by might but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts.'"

And the message of our Presiding Bishop:

"On each of us is placed a great responsibility at this time. For the future of the Christian cause and of Christian civilization for the next thousand years is probably being wrought, not so much by what is happening on the battlefields of Europe as by the actions of men and women who call themselves Christians here in the United States and elsewhere."

The desire for Christian action follows these stirring words.

We can at once add to our daily prayers, prayers at noon, in church if possible, or wherever we find ourselves; empty our hearts and minds of hate; double our efforts in our church work, so that it can be maintained around the world; and add to this whatever we may be able to do for our community and nation.

A special course is being planned for Nurses' Aides at Episcopal Hospital. Details have not been worked out, but the purpose is to give a more intensive training to women who will be able to volunteer for longer hours.

Volunteers are needed for work under Civilian Defense. Call Civilian Defense Headquarters, 16 South 15th Street. Telephone—Rit. 7326.

The Committee for Service Men, headed by Mrs. Davis, is working with the newly created War Commission of the Diocese.

Plans that will require many different kinds of service are being made. The Bureau of Information at Church House is ready to answer your questions on all these subjects.

The Forward in Service Commission recommends a new manual of prayers, *Our Home, a Manual for Family Prayer*, and asks us to co-operate in sending two delegates if possible from every parish to the course on "Religion in the Home" at the Winter Conference now in progress at Church House.

Our own Committee for Family Life has prepared a leaflet for family prayer which commends itself by its brevity and simplicity, using the prayers we are accustomed to but reintroducing them with a new poignancy. They can be procured at the Woman's Auxiliary office.

We are being given again an opportunity to help British Missions. Let us do our share so that our Diocese can go over the top as it did last year. The presentation service will be held at Christ Church on Tuesday, January 27, at 8 P. M. Save the date. Don't miss it.

MRS. FRANCIS R. PACKARD.

Education

We wish to share with all those who contributed to last year's study class offering portions of a letter recently received from the Rt. Rev. A. Tsu Yau Yue, Ph.D., Bishop of Kunming, Yunnan, China, under date of October 8:

"How delightfully you have addressed us as living on the Street of Ten Thousand Bells, and have expressed the wish that you were sending a dollar for each bell! But you have more than done this by the fact that the sum you have sent, when turned into our national currency, becomes \$13,145. I think this may be of interest to you all. (The amount sent was \$727.44.) We have four universities in this small city—the Yunnan University and the Associated National Universities of Peking, Tsing-Hua . . . and Nankai, from Peking and Tientsin. This makes the city very interesting for mis-

sionary work. . . . I am carefully considering how the gift from Pennsylvania should be used. I am opening two new stations next year, one on the way between Kunming and Kweiyang, and the other on the Burma Highway at Hsiakwan. And probably the gift will be used in connection with one of these centers. . . . Will you please convey our very hearty thanks to the members of the Mission Study Group of the Auxiliary. . . ."

In a "News Letter" enclosed in Bishop Tsu's letter, the following information about the new station near Kweiyang appears:

"We do not know where the funds will come from for this purchase. The local vestry are enthusiastic and have pledged \$10,000, an excellent showing for a young church of only two years' standing. So I have to appeal to friends for help to turn our Kweiyang dream

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into a glorious reality—a fine church for the worship of God and service to men."

Complete copies of Bishop Tsu's letter and the News Letter will be sent on request.

The sets of pamphlets on study class material have arrived. They may be ordered from the Woman's Auxiliary office.

The afternoon class for mission study leaders is being held from 2 to 3:30 P. M. on Wednesdays at Church House, beginning January 7. The leader is Mrs. William N. Stevenson. Dr. William H. Jefferys will address the first session on *The Mission of the Church*.

Among the thirty courses of study offered at the Winter Conference at Church House are *Taking Religion Into the Home*, *Building the Kingdom* and *Implications of the Malvern Declarations*. The programs are available in the Department of Religious Education at the Church House.

Defense and Democracy

One need not peruse more than a few pages of this year's special study textbooks to realize the tremendous responsibility which rests upon the followers of Christ if we would have a true democracy and a new world order.

"The high cost of a democratic society can only be met by a generation of people stirred by the great truths of Christianity" is the theme of *Christian Roots of Democracy in America*, which also brings out the rootage of democracy in the Old and New Testaments.

The great mass of people everywhere long for peace. What can Christians do to bring these longings and hopes nearer realization is the question the author of *A Christian Imperative* faces in his book.

What comprises THE defense program of the women of the Church this year? A three-fold task: To learn what our responsibilities are as citizens of a democracy, as world citizens, and as builders of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Upward in Worship, as well as *Forward in Service*, must be our marching order.

Foreign Committee

The meeting of the Foreign Committee held on December 17 was addressed by Mrs. Henry S. McNulty who, with her husband, has been temporarily with-

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Chairman

drawn from China at the request of our State Department. Mr. McNulty has been a missionary at Soochow and head of a flourishing school for boys there since 1909.

In the perilous days when Soochow was bombed and then occupied by the Japanese military, he was one of a small group of foreigners who saved the lives of thousands of defenseless Chinese by leading them out of the city and establishing a refugee camp for them. Soochow Academy is still in the refugee quarters in Shanghai.

Institutions

The recently created Committee for Diocesan Institutions in the Department of Christian Social Relations is now the channel for any news of activities or appeals to the parish branches of the Woman's Auxiliary which used to be heard and presented through the Diocesan Committee. It is likewise a channel of interest and gifts back from the parishes, approximately \$500 having found its way into our diocesan institutions through the Diocesan Committee last year.

This change was made to conform to the set-up of the National Council to which the society is "auxiliary," and really involves very little change except the name of the committee and time of meeting—now the third Wednesday at 2 P. M. in the Church House—to which all members of the various boards are cordially invited. This Committee for Diocesan Institutions is one of several "social relations" to be presented every month, others being Family Life, Refugees, Legislation, which are some of the more recent approaches to the subject. Each committee is heard from each month, which should prove a means of keeping in touch with the last word in each field.

Representatives from each institution have been asked to serve as contacts with this committee. It is hoped in this way we may be able to widen the interest and support of the institutions in our Diocese, which is our common responsibility.

EMILY N. INGERSOLL,
Chairman.

Interdenominational Union

The 18th Annual Benefit Luncheon of the Woman's Interdenominational Union

of Philadelphia and Vicinity will be held Thursday, January 22, at 12:30 P. M., in the Ball Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. The Rev. Robert Searle, D.D., executive secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches, will speak on *Christianity and Democracy*. Tickets will be on sale in the Woman's Auxiliary office. The price is \$2, of which 75 cents will be used to finance some of the splendid community service projects of the union. It is hoped all member parishes will be present this year. This is an opportunity to support the action of our Church in becoming a member of the Federal Council of Churches a year ago in General Convention, and also of our own Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in their resolution "that we affiliate with the local branches of the Council of Church Women where

possible and take part in the activities of this organization."

Mrs. Percy C. Madeira addressed a recent meeting of the Union, stressing the shortage of trained nurses and urging training centers in our parish branches for a Red Cross Home Nursing Course, consisting of twelve lessons of two hours each. Not more than twenty women would be in any one class and there would be no age limit. This not only will prove valuable to the individual so trained but to the home and general public health of the community and the nation. Any parish desiring further information as to instructors, etc., is referred to Miss McQuillan, American Red Cross Headquarters, 511 North Broad Street, Philadelphia.

MARGARET M. STRAWBRIDGE
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Junior WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

By NANCY CLAIRE ROBERTS
Publicity Chairman

"PRAYER is conversation with God for the purpose of knowing, loving and serving Him better," was the definition upon which the Rev. Harvey D. Butterfield, rector of St. Luke's, Germantown, based an inspiring message to the JWA at its December diocesan meeting. He stressed many times that so few really pray or realize the difference between praying and merely saying prayers. To teach that difference, he said, is the aim of the schools of prayer being held throughout the Diocese as part of the Forward in Service program.

Those present voted unanimously to send greetings to the Bishop of Pennsylvania on his 80th birthday anniversary.

Appeals for volunteers to enlist in the American Red Cross as Nurses' Aides

or Grey Ladies were presented. Anyone wishing further information or desiring to volunteer should get in touch with Mrs. Charles E. La Roche, Cynwyd 3407, or the American Red Cross, 511 N. Broad Street, Fremont 0100.

The Executive Board regrets losing its faithful publicity chairman, Miss Marjorie Heim, who was also its representative on the Diocesan Youth Council. Marjorie left us, however, for a happy married life in the ranch district of Northern Wyoming. The board takes this opportunity to thank her for services rendered and to wish her every happiness.

Miss Nancy Claire Roberts, of St. John's, Lansdowne, is the new publicity chairman, and Miss Ruth Hess, of St. David's, Radnor, will represent the JWA on the Diocesan Youth Council.

The Rev. John Grinstead, chaplain of H. M. S. Manchester, was guest of honor and speaker at the January 14th meeting.

The Rev. J. Jarden Guenther, rector of Trinity Church, Swarthmore, and chairman of the Diocesan Retreat Association, conducted a quiet evening on Wednesday, January 21, in the chapel of Holy Trinity Parish House for members of the JWA and the Diocesan Evening Committee. Many members of both groups kept this date as a part of their joint plan for Forward in Service. The evening opened with the first meditation at 5:45 P. M. Supper hour was at 6:20, the last meditation concluding at 8:45 P. M. Mrs. George Scadding, devotional chairman, and Mrs. Clare Zelle, Evening Committee chairman of the Woman's Auxiliary, planned the event.

Plans are under way for young people's observance of the World Day of

Information, Please!

1. How many mission stations are operated by the Diocese of Pennsylvania?
2. How many parishes receive diocesan aid?
3. What committee represents the Woman's Auxiliary in the work among institutions of the Diocese?
4. Who is the chairman of that committee?
5. The Diocese of Pennsylvania is divided into how many convocations? Can you name them?

Try these questions on your auxiliary members. The answers will be found on Page 15.

Prayer, Friday, February 20. Let us cooperate with other young people in the community and exert every influence to have a service. Programs and information may be obtained from Miss Dorothy Warnock, 17 Elder Avenue, Lansdowne.

February is designated as "Inter-racial Brotherhood Month." It is recommended that each JWA group plan a special program and devotional service at its February meeting. Worship programs will be available this month through Mrs. George Scadding.

Any Bottles Today?

Juniors! Will you hold a bottle shower for St. Martha's House? Ask your group to save 3-oz. medicine bottles—4-oz. and 6-oz. ones will help, too—and bring them to a special meeting. Then send them to Miss Blanche Nicola, St. Martha's House, 8th Street and Snyder Avenue, or bring them to a diocesan meeting.

The educational secretary urges attendance at the United Conference and a study group for one or both of the Mission Topics, *Christianity and World Order* and *Christianity and Democracy*. Interesting source books and study guides, especially planned for young people, are available in the Women's Auxiliary Office, Church House, and at JWA monthly diocesan meetings. Miss Ray Phillips will be glad to help you in any way.

Miss Julia Hill, chairman of JWA, was a delegate from the Women's Interdenominational Union of Philadelphia and Vicinity to the constituting convention at Atlantic City for the recently joined United Council of Church Women. This occasion united three interdenominational mission boards of our country.

A Call to Service

The American Red Cross needs volunteers for its two hospital services—the Hospital and Recreation Corps (Grey Ladies) and the Volunteer Nurses' Aides.

The Episcopal Hospital asked for fifty women interested in the Grey Lady service to begin training the first week in January. Qualifications for this service are:

1. An interest in building up patients' morale through hostess and recreation work.
2. American citizenship.
3. Aged 25 to 65.
4. Willingness to take a course of twelve or more lectures to prepare for work in the hospital.
5. Willingness to serve half a day or more a week.

The Volunteer Nurse's Aides help on the hospital wards with the physical care of the patients. They always work under the supervision of a graduate



Miss Janice Troxell and Mrs. Frank Knapp were among the members of the JWA who helped wrap Christmas gifts at Church House this year.

registered nurse. These Volunteer Nurse's Aides must be:

1. High school graduates between 18 and 50.
2. Able to pass a physical examination.
3. Willing to take a lecture course of training, class instruction and supervised ward practice. This course has sessions of two days a week for two months.
4. Willing to serve one day a week after graduation.

If you are interested in either of these services, please call the American Red Cross, Fremont 0100, and ask for an appointment for an interview.

Sales Ladies

Volunteers are needed to work in Episcopal Hospital's Corner Store at the following days and hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday—1 to 3 P. M.

Others are needed for the Woman's Auxiliary Mission Shop, 217 South 20th Street, at the following periods:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday—10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Sign up for your day and hours with Mrs. Charles E. La Roche, Cynwyd 3407.

United China Relief

Checks can be drawn to "United China Relief" and sent to 1506 Walnut Street with instructions to credit it to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief and marked for China.

Civilian Defense

Civilian Defense needs volunteers for various kinds of work. Call RIT. 7326.

For Service Men

Mrs. James T. Davis is head of the Committee for Service Men, 20 Dudley Avenue, Lansdowne, Pa. Telephone, Madison 6418.

U. M. C. Y. News

The National Youth Offering to date totals \$5,662.67. This makes possible a gift of \$1,000 for a church at the Wind River Dam Settlement in Wyoming and \$1,000 for the Diocesan Union Middle School, at Chenkam, Southwest China.

A new folder, *Onward with the United Movement of the Church's Youth*, describes the movement and outlines plans for 1942. The edition is limited. It can be ordered from Youth Division, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York, or Room 30, Church House.

Parish News

All Saints, Darby, had a splendid joint meeting with the Evening Committee of the parish when Miss Julia Hill addressed the groups on the work of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Thanks from the executive board to Mrs. Charles E. La Roche and Mrs. Frank Knapp for their splendid efforts in handling our vast Christmas projects!

The Book Shelf

Bibliography for Youth Subjects. 10 cents. Youth Division, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York.

Handbook of Woman's Auxiliary. Excellent Program Suggestions. 10 cents. Woman's Auxiliary Office.

A Christian Imperative, by B. P. BARNES. 60 cents.

What Kind of World Do You Want? by RUTH SEABURY. 25 cents.

For the Healing of the Nations, by DR. HENRY PITT VAN DUSEN. 60 cents.

Christianity's Answer Series. 75 cents.

Christian Roots of Democracy in America, by ARTHUR E. HOLT. 60 cents.

Christianity and Democracy in America, by MRS. E. E. MCCLINTOCK. 25 cents.

All may be obtained in the Woman's Auxiliary Office, Church House.

Mission Mail Bag

Don't forget to supply our domestic Missions!

The following is a partial list of worthy needs:

MISS HELEN SKILES,
St. Andrew's Community Center,
Mayrus, Gloucester Co., Va.

Anything in the way of clothing.

MISS ISOBEL WAGNER,
Amherst, Va.

Adult and children's clothing, shoes, and rubbers.

MISS MABEL MANSFIELD,
Daute, Va.

Old silk stockings.
DEACONESS EVELYN SEYMOUR,
Cabbage Hollow Mission,
Stanby, Va.

Adult and children's clothing, and iron coat hangers.

MRS. DAVID CLARK,
Crow Creek Mission,
Fort Thompson, South Dakota.

Patches of cretonnes and other materials.

Parish News

Christ Church, Philadelphia—The day and evening branches of the Woman's Auxiliary have merged and now meet in Neighborhood House on the first Wednesday evening of each month. This active and interested group has a comprehensive program of worship, work and study for 1942. Mrs. Francis R. Packard, diocesan president, addressed the branch at its December meeting, explaining the aims of the Auxiliary and the scope of its work in the Diocese. Her eloquence was rewarded with gifts of \$50 for Bishop Tait's 80th birthday fund for Episcopal Hospital, \$25 for the Presiding Bishop's China Relief Fund, and \$5 for subscriptions to the Diocesan Auxiliary Calendar.

An Appreciation . . .

Due to your thoughtfulness of others, your generous gifts of money, hundreds of attractively wrapped gift packages, bed jackets, layettes, separate infant garments, magazine racks, games, and scrap books—in all, 1,959 packages—were distributed to men, women and children in Philadelphia General Hospital who otherwise would have had a cheerless Christmas. For such generous support the Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service is indebted to individuals, senior and junior auxiliaries, guilds, Girls' Friendly Society and Young People's Fellowship groups in the following churches:

Chester Convocation—All Saints, Wynnewood; Christ Church, Media; Good Shepherd, Rosemont; Holy Sacrament, Highland Park; Incarnation, Drexel Hill; Redeemer, Bryn Mawr; St. Giles, Stonehurst; St. James, Prospect Park; St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne; St. Mary, Wayne; St. Stephen, Clifton Heights; Trinity, Swarthmore; Redeemer, Springfield; St. Alban Chapel, Newtown Square.

Germantown Convocation—All Saints, Torresdale; Epiphany, Germantown; Holy Innocents, Tacony; St. Luke, Bustleton; St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill; St. Paul, Doylestown; St. Luke, Germantown.

Norristown Convocation—Holy Nativity, Rockledge; St. Paul, Elkins Park; St. Peter, Weldon; St. Anne, Willow Grove.

North Philadelphia Convocation—Church of the Resurrection; St. Clement; St. James.

South Philadelphia Convocation—All Saints, Moyamensing; Crucifixion; Holy Apostles; Holy Comforter; Holy Communion; Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel; Prince of Peace; St. Paul; St. Peter; St. Sauveur; Transfiguration, and Hard of Hearing Chapel.

West Philadelphia Convocation—St. James, Kingsessing; Chapel of the Mediator; Atonement; Epiphany, Sherwood; Grace, West Philadelphia; Redemption; St. Andrew; St. Barnabas; St. George; St. Mary, Hamilton Village; St. Titus Mission.

Mrs. Harry W. Jones, our follow-up chairman, saw that four families received needed coal and that four families were supplied with Christmas dinners.

In closing may I express appreciation to those who stand by so faithfully, and I should like to express publicly the appreciation of every member of the League for the generosity of Mrs. Patrick Doyle and her family in turning their home into a warehouse for ten days and doing a colossal job with a smile. They even invited a group of children from the Home of the Merciful Saviour to help box the candy and they all had a merry time. Such is the spirit that prevails in all of our doings.

A happy, blessed New Year to all!

MATILDA P. FOX,
Chairman.

Information, Please!

Answers to quiz on Page 13

1. 48 mission stations.
2. 19 aided parishes in 1942.
3. Committee for Diocesan Institutions.
4. Emily N. Ingersoll.
5. Six: Chester, Germantown, Norristown, North Philadelphia, South Philadelphia and West Philadelphia.

DR. SHEERIN LEAVING '281' FOR PAROCHIAL WORK

Presiding Bishop Tucker has announced the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Charles W. Sheerin, vice-president of the National Council, who on February 1 will take office as rector of Epiphany Church, second largest Episcopal parish in Washington. He succeeds the Rev. Dr. ZeBarney T. Phillips.

Dr. Sheerin was elected vice-president of the National Council in charge of promotion on April 27, 1938, the first incumbent of that office under a revised canon adopted by General Convention in 1937. Since taking office, he has traveled almost constantly, meeting thousands of clerical and lay church leaders, presenting the Church's program of missions, educational and social service work, and counselling and advising parishes and dioceses on program activities. He effected a combination of two former departments of the National Council—Field and Publicity—organizing a new Department of Promotion, and greatly extended the field of cooperation by the Council with the problems and programs of parishes and dioceses.

J. N. Peabody New Curate at St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill

The Rev. John N. Peabody, a member of St. Thomas', Whitmarsh, before entering the ministry, has taken up his duties as curate at St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill, where he succeeds the Rev. R. G. Metters, who has gone into the navy as a chaplain.

A graduate of Germantown Academy, University of Pennsylvania and Virginia Theological Seminary, Mr. Peabody was rector of Trinity Church, Arlington, Va., before joining the staff at St. Paul's.

On December 30 he married Miss Ruth Helen Junker, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Valentine Junker, of Watertown, S. D., and sister of the Rev. Curtis W. V. Junker, who recently became field secretary of the youth division of the National Council. The wedding took place at St. Thomas', Whitmarsh, with the Rev. N. B. Groton, rector, officiating.

40-Years Attendance Wins Reward at St. James', Kingsessing

What is believed to be a record for unbroken attendance at services—40 years without an absence—has been established by Robert Smith, not yet 50 years old, who has been superintendent of the Sunday school at St. James', Kingsessing, for 23 years. His faithfulness was rewarded on Christmas Eve when a water color painting of the church by John J. Dull, well-known artist, was presented to him at the Sunday school festivities by the children of the school.

There were 394 teachers and pupils enrolled in St. James' Sunday school in 1941. Attendance totaled 13,520.

The BISHOP'S WISH CAME TRUE—\$100,000

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Mr. Montgomery assured the Bishop and those who had made the gift possible that they would "be proud of the way in which the money will be used to keep up the high standards of service for which the hospital stands."

The hundreds of letters of congratulation and admiration from leaders of the religious, professional, political and educational life of the community, including the Governor of the State, the Hon. Arthur H. James, and Mayor Bernard Samuel, of Philadelphia, were presented to the Bishop in a leather-bound volume by the Very Rev. Percy R. Stockman, Dean of South Philadelphia and superintendent of Seamen's Church Institute.

The illness of his wife prevented the Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, from attending the celebration, but a letter from him expressing his regrets and conveying his greeting was read to the Bishop by the Rev. Dr. Franklin J. Clark, secretary of the House of Deputies, who represented General Convention.

The greetings of the laity and the clergy were eloquently expressed by the Chancellor of the Diocese, Roland S. Morris, former Ambassador to Japan, and the Rev. Canon Ernest C. Earp, D.D., rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr.

The greetings of the American Episcopate were presented by the Rt. Rev. Frank W. Sterrett, D.D., Bishop of the neighboring Diocese of Bethlehem. While he took no active part in the service, the Rt. Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, D.D., Bishop of Delaware, marched in the procession.

In his address the Bishop praised all those whose labors have aided and upheld him throughout the 12 years of his episcopate. Many personal references were made by the Bishop in his expressions of appreciation. Referring to his health he assured his hearers that he never felt better and declared with a chuckle, "I've only had my temperature taken once, and I've never had my blood pressure taken." With a prayer that he be "spared to continue in God's work through these perilous times," he brought his address to a close.

St. Peter's choir sang two anthems during the service. The first, "Kingdom of Light," by Lutkin, was sung to an organ accompaniment, while the second, "Cherubim Song," by Bortniansky, was sung without accompaniment. Just before the benediction the choir sang kneeling "Silent Night, Holy Night." Dorothy Johnstone Baseler played a harp solo, Handel's "Largo," to which Mr. Gilbert played an organ accompaniment.

The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

Many Happy Returns

Among the many expressions of congratulations received by the Bishop on his 80th birthday are the following:

Governor Arthur H. James—"Permit me to take this means of adding my word of congratulations to the many similar messages which I know you are receiving from all parts of this old Commonwealth."

Mayor Bernard Samuel—"May your good work continue for many, many years to come."

William H. Brehm, Right Worshipful Grand Master, Pennsylvania Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons—"You have been an inspiration to many men and women, both young and old."

John Trevor Custis, Editor, Philadelphia Inquirer—"Your accomplishments as the Bishop of Pennsylvania, magnificent though they have been, cannot be thought to exceed or even to equal in permanent value the influence of your personal character and example."

Frederic H. Eidam, President, Ministers' Association of Chester and Vicinity—"Yours has been a rich and fruitful life for the Kingdom of God. We rejoice and thank God that He has given you 80 years in which to enrich the world."

Rev. Dr. Weaver K. Eubank, Moderator, Presbytery of Philadelphia—"We thank God for your long and useful life in the Church and pray that you may be kept in health and strength to continue in the great work as one of the chief leaders in your beloved communion."

Rabbi William H. Fineshriber, Congregation Keneseth Israel—"I have always found in Bishop Taitt those qualities which are characteristic of the Christian scholar and gentleman. His warm-heartedness, his generosity, his appreciation of all that is good and noble in his fellowmen, and his inspiring hopefulness have made him a unique personality in the life of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania."

Bishop E. G. Richardson, Methodist Church—"The mere prolongation of existence is nothing in itself to be proud of, but when, as in your case, it is accompanied by devoted service in Kingdom interests it is a matter that can well bring satisfaction. You have met the scriptural proviso that tells us 'the hoary head is a crown of glory if it be found in the way of righteousness.'"

Rev. Dr. Calvin P. Swank, United Lutheran Church in America—"It must be a great satisfaction to the religious constituency to which you belong to have had your Christian influence and leadership extend over so many years."

Former U. S. Judge J. Whitaker Thompson—"As one octogenarian to another, it gives me great pleasure to send you my congratulations on your 80th birthday. Your leadership in the Church has been an inspiration to us all."

Colonel Milton G. Baker, Superintendent, Valley Forge Military Academy—"Your remarkable work and achievements form an outstanding chapter in the American Church."

Dr. John L. Haney, President, Central High School—"As an alumnus of Central High School you have brought honor and distinction to your alma mater and you are numbered among her most loyal sons."

Rev. Ross D. Murphy, President, Philadelphia Federation of Churches—"Just as the Word of God is not bound, so is the service of a devoted disciple of the Master not bound by the limits of his own communion. Your long years of service have been a blessing to many of us here in this city."

Greetings also were received from:

Rev. Dr. James H. Franklin, president, Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester; Rev. Dr. William E. Lampe, secretary, Evangelical and Reformed Church; H. Tatnall Brown, Jr., dean, Haverford College; Franklin S. Edmonds, distinguished Philadelphia attorney; Very Rev. Allen Evans, dean, Philadelphia Divinity School, of which Bishop Taitt is the oldest active alumnus; Rt. Rev. Charles Fiske, retired Bishop of Central New York; Rev. William B. Forney, Philadelphia Lord's Day Alliance; Colonel Frank K. Hyatt, president, Pennsylvania Military College; Robert L. Johnson, president of Temple University; Parke R. Kolbe, president, Drexel Institute of Technology; N. E. McClure, president, Ursinus College; Rev. A. T. O. Marks, executive secretary, Baptist Union of Philadelphia and Vicinity; Rev. George R. Merriam, Pennsylvania Baptist Convention; Rev. W. Vernon Middleton, Philadelphia Missionary and Church Extension Society of the Methodist Church; Merle M. Odgers, president of Girard College; Daniel A. Poling, pastor of Baptist Temple, and many others.

THE CHURCH NEWS *Movie Index*

Dependable Reviews and Evaluations of Current Motion Pictures

THE CHURCH NEWS offers its readers each month a family motion picture guide, which sets a high standard for frank and honest appraisals of current motion pictures. It is a digest of the opinions of reviewers representing one of the most important women's organizations in the country. Parents may place complete reliance upon it as a measure of the merits of films for their own and their children's entertainment and edification. It is suggested that these pages be preserved for reference. The Movie Index is based on "Motion Picture Reviews," published monthly by the Women's University Club of Los Angeles at 943 South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

How the Signals Work

A—For Adults	5—Possible
Y—For Adolescents from 12 to 16	6—Questionable (in spots or entirely)
C—For Children 8 to 12	7—Too mature for many in this age group
1—Excellent	8—Too tense for many
2—Good	9—Poor
3—Fair	No—Unsuitable, or no interest
4—Good of its type, i. e., Mystery, Comedy, Western, etc.	

Among the Living—This psychological drama will have limited audience appeal. It is not satisfactory in all respects but there is fascination in its sustained horror and suspense. It portrays a man, neither completely crazed nor completely sane, reacting to a world he has been kept out of for twenty years. The director has retained the mood consistently and Albert Dekker gives an excellent performance in a dual role. It is gruesome melodrama. A-4. Y and C—No. (Paramount.)

Appointment for Love—A-1. Y and C—No. (Univ.)

Ball of Fire—Prince Charming and the Seven Dwarfs are suggested by the cast of this unusual comedy, in which a group of erudite gentlemen are engaged in the completion of a new encyclopedia. Their regimented absorption is interrupted when they reach the letter "S." Wishing to include an article on slang, they discover in a chance meeting with a garbage collector that they know nothing of modern lingo. One professor brings into the household a strip-tease dancer, Sugar Puss O'Shea, who finds it expedient to hide from the police. They are enchanted by her presence, disturbed by her sex appeal. The dialogue and situations are the most subtly sophisticated and really suggestive ones yet put on the screen. The college professors are remarkably clever, Haydn, Sakall, Homolka and Travers, especially, and Allen Jenkins is a riot as the garbage collector. Gary Cooper gives another dependable, delightful performance and Barbara Stanwyck is alluring as Sugar Puss. A-2. Y and C—No. (RKO.)

Bedtime Story—The criticism of "Bedtime Story" is lack of plot originality. We have had so many domestic comedies recently which deal with the problems of husbands and wives, both of whom are engaged in careers, that we could wish the subject could be settled once and for all, or else discarded! Miss Young plays the beautiful actress wife of a playwright. She announces their retirement to a farm in Connecticut only to discover that he has sold the farm to finance his new play in which he expects her to star. The action then is concerned with his at-

tempts to arouse her interest in the new play, to prevent her from divorcing him, and, when this fails, to disrupt her marriage with a banker. All this he finally accomplishes, but she has the final word, for she closes the successful run of the play "to await an act of God." It is fairly amusing, sophisticated farce which frequently slips into slapstick, and it will doubtless please those not surfeited with the subject. The cast is good, although Fredric March is less at home in raucous comedy than in serious drama. A-3. Y and C—No. (Columbia.)

Chocolate Soldier—A-1. Y and C—No. (M-G-M.)

The Corsican Brothers—Perhaps no better time could have prompted the release of a picture based on Alexander Dumas' swash-buckling melodrama. The plot follows the story of two Corsican brothers saved in infancy from the predatory Colonna, who had wiped out their family and taken over their estate. The two babes were Siamese twins whom surgery had severed. For their own safety they are sent to different families for rearing and do not meet until manhood. But between them is a curious, inexplicable emotional bond, which in the weaker one is psychic with physical reactions. And here again the sub-plot carries on the theme of right triumphing, for these ties must finally be broken to prove that honor and decency shall survive in a better world. Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., makes Mario and Lucien subtly different, a beautiful performance. Akim Tamiroff is excellent in the role of Colonna, and Ruth Warrick is the lovely heroine whom both brothers love. The cast is entirely competent. The elaborate French Empire interiors are beautiful and the action is stirring with a thrilling duel as the dramatic highlight. A and Y-2. C-8. (United Artists.)

The Feminine Touch—A-2. Y and C—No. (M-G-M.)

How Green Was My Valley—A and Y-1. C-2. (20th Cent.-Fox.)

Hellzapoppin—Completely mad, zany nonsense. Its long stage run should prove that it has the elements of popular rib-tickling comedy and the screen version successfully preserves the original fabric. Opening with the title, "Any similarity between Hellzapoppin and a motion picture is purely coincidental," the film follows no known formula, and its noisy, spectacular, hilarious pace is like nothing ever before seen on the screen. A slight plot ties the absurdities together. A girl and a boy are in love but the boy will not admit his feelings because he is poor and he knows that his wealthy friend loves her also. The boy is staging a show on the girl's estate and its success might change his attitude about proposing. Olsen and Johnson have reason to believe that the girl is having an affair with a Russian Prince and they decide to wreck the show and thus their friend's chances with the girl. Their frantic efforts only make the performance hilariously funny and, of course, a hit bound for Broadway.

A large cast, including Ole Olson and Chic Johnson, Martha Raye, Hugh Herbert, Jane Frazee, Robert Paige and Mischa Auer are on and off the set for no apparent reason, but they all enter into the madness with complete abandon and add to the illogical mirth. Photography makes many scenes funnier than possible on the stage. Jitterbugs, Conga dancers and a water ballet are spec-

tacular. Lavish sets and costumes add beauty. Audience participation is invited in many scenes which makes the production more intimate than one could imagine. However, park all your prejudices at home and you will get many a deep and satisfying laugh. A-1, Y-4, C-5. (Universal.)

I Killed That Man—A-2. Y and C—No.

International Squadron—A-5. Y and C—No. (Warner Bros.)

Kathleen—Shirley Temple is cast as an unhappy, lonely, motherless girl whose father is too busy to see what is going on. She is left in charge of an unsympathetic, unloving governess. In her unhappiness she creates a dream world as a means of escape, and these dream episodes are cleverly and amusingly woven into actuality. The adolescent psychology and behavior are true to fact. Shirley Temple has lost her self-conscious mannerisms and is natural and unassuming. Several scenes bring tears because they are not overdrawn and Shirley makes them very real. It is a nice little story of a child whose need of an understanding father is fulfilled and to this is added a mother whom she can love. Felix Bressart does a beautiful piece of acting as the second-hand dealer who is Kathleen's confidant and guide. There is not too much love-making to offend adolescents, and the pranks which are a normal reaction to adult injustice will delight young people. A and Y-1. C-2. (M-G-M.)

Lady for a Night—Most women will rate this picture as pure clap-trap. The queen of a gambling house buys a husband and a fine old Southern estate, both in need of rehabilitation; then her ex-partner virtually blackmails the elite into attending a gala ball at her mansion. In a day when makers of films hesitate to disparage any race or class, it is surprising to find the old families of the South placed several degrees lower than underworld characters. It must be said, however, that many of the settings are beautiful and the cast is good. John Wayne is natural and has much charm, Joan Blondell is attractive, and all the members of the Alderson family (Ray Middleton, Philip Merivale, Edith Barrett, Blanche Yurka) give excellent interpretations of their parts. A-3. Y and C—No. (Republic.)

Louisiana Purchase—The musical comedy which has delighted New Yorkers for many moons tops the list of gorgeous film spectacles made in Technicolor. The sheen of materials, the blending of rainbow hues, the sparkle of jewels worn by beautiful girls reach their culmination in the Mardi Gras scenes. The prologue states that since the whole affair is fiction, you can call a crook a crook. Bob Hope as the president of the Louisiana Purchasing Company, has been made the scapegoat for his grafting colleagues, and his only recourse is to compromise the Senator (Victor Moore) who comes to conduct an investigation. Since this is all done in the spirit of burlesque and the audience understands the hoax, it is not really shocking when show-girls pop up from all corners of the solon's bedroom. The jokes are quick on the trigger, usually very funny, occasionally off-color. Political cracks are particularly telling with most of the brickbats thrown at the Democrats, but since the butt of the main jest is a Republican, insults stand about even. Zorina dances in perfect form, is a charming actress, and Bob Hope plays with zest, but it is Victor Moore who always holds the center of the stage with just the right mixture of innocent befuddlement and sharp political acumen. A-1. Y and C-7. (Paramount.)

Maltese Falcon—A-1. Y and C—No. (Warner Bros.)

Married Bachelor—A-2. Y and C—No. (M-G-M.)

Moon Over Her Shoulder—A-1. Y and C—No. (20th Century-Fox.)

Paris Calling—The script of this story of espionage is better than its presentation on the screen for a new phase gives it fresh interest. The heroine is a French girl whose attitude must typify that of many of her compatriots in the last days when France capitulated to the enemy. Completely unaware of her country's danger, carrying on her social life without interruption, uninterested in politics and unsuspecting of intrigue, the debacle catches her totally unprepared. But shock vitalizes her to desperate action. She joins the underground movement aiding England and proves her loyalty to the Free French. The director has failed to create an illusion of great reality thus lessening the impact of emotional reaction. But in treating the psychology of several characters the

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IN MEMORIAM

BARTLETT—The Rt. Rev. Frederick Bethune Bartlett, Bishop of the Missionary Districts of Idaho and New Mexico and for many years one of the most active members of the American Episcopate, was killed when his automobile overturned near American Falls, Ida., December 15.

A native of Manchester, Conn., he was born August 23, 1882, and in 1908 was ordained to the priesthood after being graduated from Trinity College and Episcopal Theological School and receiving a master's degree from Harvard. After two years in the mission field in Oregon he became vicar of Christ Chapel, Brooklyn, where he served until 1917 when he became rector of St. John's, West Hoboken, N. J. In 1918 he returned to the mission field, this time to South Dakota, remaining there until 1923 when he was called to the Church of St. Philip the Apostle in St. Louis, Mo.

He was appointed general secretary of the Field Department of National Council in 1926 and held the post until his consecration as Missionary Bishop of North Dakota December 16, 1931. In 1935 he was translated to Idaho. From 1932 to 1937, while performing his episcopal duties in the west, he carried the burden of executive secretary of the Department of Domestic Missions. After the death of Bishop Howden in 1940 he was placed in charge of the Missionary District of New Mexico in addition to his Idaho charge.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Bethune James Bartlett, of Connecticut, and a daughter, Mrs. John Skillern, of Idaho. His wife, the former Jessie Langle Hale, died on Easter Day, 1940.

Funeral services for Bishop Bartlett were held in St. Michael's Cathedral, Boise, Ida., December 18, with Bishop Moulton, of Utah, officiating. Bishops Remington, of Eastern Oregon, and Huston, of Olympia, also took part in the service. Interment was beside his wife at Grant's Pass, Ore., where he began his ministry.

Like most of the great missionary bishops of the west, Bishop Bartlett was a frequent visitor in Pennsylvania and was known to many of the clergy and laity here, all of whom felt not only shock but also a distinct sense of personal loss at news of his untimely and tragic death.

COLES—While she slept on the train which was bringing her home from Maine, the rare and vital spirit of Mary Roberts Coles passed into the larger life on October 22.

Daughter of the late Edward and Bessy Mason Campbell Coles and a lineal descendant of George Mason, her life epitomized the charm and graciousness of the Virginia tradition. Miss Coles was a lifelong member of Christ Church, Philadelphia, where her father was a vestryman for 26 years. By her years of devoted service and enthusiastic loyalty to the parish she built herself into its very life and fabric. Her personal devotion to

her Lord led in logical sequence to un-failing attendance at worship, to a wide ministering to human needs, and finally to active concern for the physical details of the church buildings and grounds. Her strong sense of stewardship and of *noblesse oblige* resulted in constant and eager giving, which was, however, always anonymous. Keenly appreciative of the ministry of beauty, she made possible much of the planting in the churchyard, the renovation of the Tower Room and the sacristy, and the tasteful finish of the board room in Washburn House.

Her favorite home was in Bar Harbor, where she was a beloved summer resident and an outstanding member of the community. She was an active member of the Garden Club of Mt. Desert, as well as of the Garden Club of Philadelphia and the Garden Club of America, and she served for many years on the board of managers of Mt. Desert Island Hospital.

One of Miss Coles' greatest interests was the Visiting Nurse Society of Philadelphia, of which she had been both president and vice-president and in which she took an active part up to the time of her death. She is survived by her sister, Mrs. George S. Robbins, of Haverford.

A rare personal friend, she will be remembered particularly for her warm interest in people, her understanding sympathy and generous giving of herself. With delightful humanness and gaiety and an ever-youthful spirit she entered as truly and unflinchingly into the joys of others as into their sorrows and was as ready with an amusing toy for a child as with a profound thought for a troubled soul.

May she go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service.

We thank Thee, O God, for all the goodness and courage which have passed from the life of this Thy servant into the lives of others and have left the world richer for her presence, for a life's task faithfully and honorably discharged; for good humor and gracious affection and kindly generosity; for sadness met without surrender, and weakness endured without defeat; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FISKE—The Rt. Rev. Charles Fiske, D.D., retired Bishop of Central New York and a familiar and well loved figure in this Diocese, died January 8 in Baltimore, where he had made his home since retiring in 1936. He was 73.

Born in New Brunswick, N. J., in 1868, Bishop Fiske attended the local schools, spent one year at Rutgers College, then joined the staff of his father's newspaper. He also studied law, later becoming legislative correspondent for *The New York Times* and writing for other newspapers in New York and Philadelphia. For a time he was private secretary to the late General Stewart L. Woodruff, Lieutenant Governor of New York and one-time U. S. Minister to Spain.

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Stephen's College, he entered General Theological Seminary and was graduated in 1896. A year later he was ordained to the priesthood, serving as a missionary in New Jersey, and later in parishes at Westfield, N. J., Somerville, N. J.; the old Church of the Transfiguration, Philadelphia; St. John's Church, Norristown; and All Angels, Baltimore, where he was in 1915 when he was elected bishop coadjutor of Central New York. He had previously declined election as bishop coadjutor of Dallas. Upon the death of Bishop Olmsted in 1924 he became diocesan and administered the affairs of the Diocese of Central New York until 1936, when he resigned not only because of his wife's ill health but also because of his conviction that resignations at the age of retirement were for the good of the Church.

Bishop Fiske's life was generously punctuated by instances when he fearlessly and outspokenly lashed out against evil, waste, or dereliction in high places. Always he sought to make his criticism constructive. Asked to preach at an Anglo-Catholic Congress, instead of denouncing Protestant-minded churchmen, he called attention to some of "the peculiarities of my fellow Catholics." While he felt keen disappointment when most of his recommendations for change and reorganization were pigeon-holed, he lived to see many of them adopted by succeeding administrations.

As a preacher Bishop Fiske ranked high and was in great demand at noon-day Lenten services, missions and retreats. He had a commanding knowledge of a wide range of subjects including major public issues. He also was a prolific author, most of his writings being characterized by the free, easy-to-read journalistic style he developed in his newspaper days. Among his published works are

The Religion of the Incarnation, Back to Christ, Sacrifice and Service, The Perils of Respectability. He was a frequent contributor to the outstanding literary journals of the time.

His great abilities and his unstinted contribution to the life of the Church were recognized by his alma mater, St. Stephen's College, as well as General Theological Seminary, Hamilton College, Colgate, Hobart College and Syracuse University, all of which conferred honorary degrees upon him.

One of his uncles was Stephen Fiske, a well known writer and playwright and one-time associate of Charles Dickens.

He is survived by one son, John F. Fiske. His wife, the former Elizabeth Curlett Crompton, whom he married in 1901, died in September, 1940.

Funeral services were held in St. Michael and All Angels Church, Baltimore, January 10, with Bishop Helfenstein, of Maryland, Bishop Powell, Coadjutor of Maryland, Bishop Coley, of Central New York, and the Rev. Dr. Frank Fenn, rector, officiating.

THOMAS—In the passing of Julia Shipley Thomas to her great reward we in the Diocese of Pennsylvania lose another brilliant and wonderful character, church-woman, and worker. It was my privilege to enjoy her intimate friendship for forty or more years; and in that time, I looked, learned, and marvelled. Her Church was her life, and her home the beginning. She possessed that rare trait of retaining in a wonderful brain, many facts that remained to help her in the many and varied works she undertook. There was nothing in the Diocese which was of too little interest to work for.

When the Mission Study Classes were

begun many years ago, she was an enthusiastic student and leader; and no church in city or country was too far for her to find and carry on classes in an enthusiastic and winning manner.

This work helped her, when Bishop Rhinelander's wish to build one new church a year in the Diocese led to "The Bishop's Bricks Committee." With Bishop Rhinelander and Miss McClennan at the head, and Mrs. Thomas as the interpreter again visiting all parishes big and small, the work grew and spread. Many in the Diocese remember the little paper bricks to be filled with ten cent pieces and presented at the yearly assembling of children and elders.

Any missions at a low ebb were an interest to be encouraged and helped. Her

committee for church work among the Jews was to her a great joy, slow as it sometimes seemed. She always hoped others would continue it when she would be obliged to leave it. Always in mission study classes, whatever the subject, she studied her text books and seldom used notes in her teaching. Statistics were to her not as important as the heart of the subject. She did not care for prolonged meetings and what she had to say was well-expressed and short.

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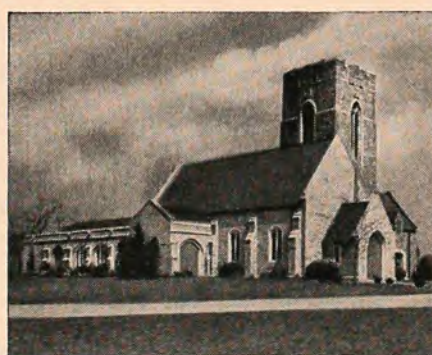
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writers have done well. There is the youthful German aviator whose first revulsion against bombing of innocent evacuees is later overcome by his regimented loyalty to the German cause; the American member of the R. A. F. who has fought in Spain on the Loyalists' side, in China against the Japanese, and against the Axis for England, because "it is the same war, and one which must be won." These men paint a picture of reality with no concession to sentiment. The setting, too, is one not used before and it arouses sympathy for an embarrassed people. Elizabeth Bergner is a welcome addition to American films. Her restrained acting carries deep conviction. Basil Rathbone and Randolph Scott are competent. The musical score is beautiful. A-1. Y-8. C-No. (Universal.)

The Perfect Snob—A socially ambitious mother engineers her daughter's engagement to the season's catch only to have her fall in love with someone who miraculously proves to be a greater prize. The unimportant plot gives an excuse for the antics of Charlotte Greenwood and the absent-minded comedy of Charlie Ruggles, which sometimes rise to a hilarious pitch. A and Y-2. C-If interested. (20th Century-Fox.)

Playmates—John Barrymore washes his dirty linen in public and emphasizes his failings by a flash-back to his days of greatness—a perfect delivery of Hamlet's soliloquy. Kay Kyser puts his second-best foot forward, supported by a noisy cast in a typical radio plot anent the marriage of Shakespeare and swing. The entertainment level is raised a few notches by several good orchestra numbers and songs, including the timely "Thank Your Lucky Stars and Stripes." A-3. Y-5. C-No. (RKO-Radio.)

Prime Minister—A-1. Y-2. C-7. (Warner Bros.-First Nat.)

Remember the Day—Like "Cheers for Miss Bishop" this is the story of a woman with

a genius for teaching, but it is treated in a different way. When the film opens we meet Nora Trinell, "a gray-haired woman with a beautiful smile," edging her way into the throng at the Washington headquarters of the presidential nominee, Dewey Roberts; then the scene fades back to his boyhood days to show how the inspiration and the love and true character guidance of Miss Trinell formed the starting point of his career. She had not planned to dedicate her life to teaching. During the same year she met and loved the handsome young athletic director, and there was a summer and Christmas vacation of high hopes and bright romance before he was called away to the first World War. While Claudette Colbert makes Nora Trinell a lovely, vital person, it is not her picture alone, for John Payne as her lover and Douglas Croft as the impressionable, idealistic boy, give equally fine performances, and minor roles are good. The period of 1917 is fixed by clothes and settings and current social customs. The main criticism—details are so accurate that occasionally the action verges upon caricature to modern eyes. A and Y-2. C-7. (20th Century-Fox.)

The Road to Happiness—John Boles returns to the screen in a delightful picture with young Billy Lee. They are natural and appealing in the relationship of father and son without becoming oversentimental. Jeff Carter enters the U. S. after a period of voice study abroad to find that his wife has divorced him and is neglecting their child. Then begins his dual struggle for living for Danny and to find an opportunity to become an opera singer. Mona Barrie, as a hard, ambitious woman with little maternal instinct, might leave a feeling of insecurity with children who see the film, although her attitude serves to highlight the devotion of father and son. John Boles' voice is beautiful in "America," "Danny Boy" and operatic

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selections. The director has handled his story material well, and there is more genuine human interest than is found in many more pretentious films. A and Y-2. C—No. (Monogram.)

Shanghai Gesture—The familiar, sordid story of the oriental woman who revenges her unhappy past through her own daughter is given lavish and exciting atmosphere in the screen version of a play popular over twenty years ago. The elaborate settings, the excellent musical score and the polyglot types of character extras enliven the production and give the creaky plot interest. Gene Tierney is the girl who, with all her training and advantages, has only cheap emotions; Walter Huston, her father, who has money but a rotten soul; Victor Mature, the insidious Levantine mystic (in lieu of the Japanese diplomat in the original); Phyllis Brooks, a hard-boiled chorus girl stranded in Shanghai; Ona Munson, Madame Gin Sling, the evil woman who controls the human puppets to avenge herself on the whole white race. All play their roles well, but the dialogue seems stilted and direction fails to make the production vital or important. A-5. Y and C—No. (United Artists.)

Silver Stallion—A and Y-4. C—No. (Monogram.)

Skylark—A-2. Y and C—No. (Para.)

Smilin' Through—A and Y-2. C—No. (M-G-M.)

South of Tahiti—A-2. Y and C—No. (Univ.)

Steel Against the Sky—The general idea of this film is to glorify the construction men in the building of a great modern bridge such as those at San Francisco, and whatever value it may possess is in the photographic studies of the towers, the catwalks and cables of the giant span. A and Y-5. C—No.

Suspicion—A-1. Y-7. C—No. (RKO-Radio.)

Swamp Water—A-1. Y and C—No. (20th Century-Fox.)

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They Died with Their Boots On—A thrilling film version of the life of Colonel George A. Custer, hero of the Indian wars, with Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland portraying the dashing, courageous fighter and his beautiful wife. War scenes are awe-inspiring, but not gruesome. A and Y-2. C-8. (Warner Bros.-First National.)

Three Girls about Town—In a farce so fast and furious that it is fairly hysterical, two sisters (Joan Blondell and Binnie Barnes), co-hostesses in a convention hotel, discover a corpse in a room adjoining theirs. The ending has a surprise punch. While not outstanding, good dialogue and some genuine comedy make this film better than others of its class. A-2. Y and C—No. (Columbia.)

Two-Faced Woman—Heavy-handed, broad farce evidently filmed to demonstrate her versatility, this film adds nothing to Greta Garbo's popularity nor to her stature as an actress. Coarse dialogue, unbecoming costumes and poor script and direction make for dullness rather than immorality, the brand placed upon the picture by Archbishop Stillman of New York, although the plot is not recommended for youth. A-3. Y and C—No. (M-G-M.)

Unholy Partners—A, Y and C—No. (M-G-M.)

Weekend for Three—When pretty Ellen Craig uses a former suitor to arouse her busy husband's jealousy, her ruse acts as a boomerang. Randy is so energetic that he wears them both out and so friendly that rebuffs fail. As his visit goes on and on, he monopolizes their household and their lives until they become desperate. This is good comedy material, and an able cast makes the most of the situation for three-quarters of the play. Excessive drinking and some suggestive lines could be cut to advantage. A-2. Y-7. C—No. (RKO-Radio.)

The Wolf Man—The ancient legend of the werewolf is given a modern setting and psychological interpretation in this exceedingly well produced melodrama. The constant struggle between good and evil in man's soul, the demoralizing effect of suggestion on a diseased mind, paralyzed by fear, builds to dramatic heights, and while the picture may be classed as a "horror" film, acting, direction and photography make it a most unusual production in its class. Lon Chaney, Jr., gives a superb performance in the title role, making the character sympathetic and profoundly tragic. The makeup as the werewolf is shocking but not too fantastic, and photography makes the transition to human form believable proof of distorted imagination. Maria Ouspenskaya is sinister and moving as well. Claude Rains, Warren William and Ralph Bellamy give excellent support. A-2. Y and C—No. (Universal.)

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For the Candidates there approaches the 30th annual contest sponsored by the Senior Members' Club. This is an opportunity for the youngsters to express themselves in composition, music, art, needlework and handcraft. Essays may be written on Seamen's Church Institute, Episcopal Hospital, ambitions for a career, Holiday House, etc. Each essay must be written in the form of a letter to an English girl of the same age as the writer.

Musically, the Candidate may present her own program for the annual Candidates' Service. In the art group, she may enter a painting, a drawing or a poster for Episcopal Hospital Day or for the ingathering for Seamen's Church Institute held at Miss M. Atherton Leach's home each December. In the handcraft division the contestant may submit wearing apparel, bead work, fancy needlework, knitting or crocheting. Each contestant will be asked if she did all the work on her entry herself, also whether or not she reads THE CHURCH NEWS or the GFS News Sheet.

A representative committee of Younger Members is working to arrange an educational workshop for a Saturday afternoon before Lent as a preparation for branch activities in the great penitential season.

The GFS in the Diocese assembled nearly 200 gaily wrapped packages for its Christmas project. Of that number Episcopal Hospital received 90, Harrison Home 65, and Philadelphia General Hospital 40. Fifty well-filled stockings, in addition to many scrap books, toys, dolls and candy, went to the children's ward at Episcopal Hospital. More than 150 articles, including toys, handkerchiefs, cross-word puzzle books, jewelry, dolls and games were sent to Philadelphia State Hospital at Byberry.

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ARMSTRONG, J. G., III.—Commissioned Lieutenant, U. S. Navy, Chaplains' Corps; to U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., January 12.

CLATTENBURG, ALBERT E.—Resigned, St. Stephen's, Norwood, December 31.

HOLT, ALBERT H.—New address: 1311 Capri Street, Coral Gables, Fla.

HOLMES, DAVID—Resigned, St. Andrew's, West Philadelphia, December 31; rector, St. Stephen's, Norwood, January 1.

JOHNSON, M. L.—New address: 1513 E. Cliveden Street, Philadelphia.

KEMP, RICHARD—Retired November 30, 1941.

METTERS, R. G.—Resigned, St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill, December 7, 1941; commissioned Lieutenant (j.g.), U. S. Navy, Chaplains' Corps.

MOWERS, ELDEN B.—Vicar, Holy Apostles, Philadelphia.

PEABODY, JOHN N.—Curate, St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill, January 15, 1942. Address: 22 E. Chestnut Avenue, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia.

SHICK, A. W.—Rector, House of Prayer, January 1, 1942.

SMITH, WILLIAM X.—Assistant minister, Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.

STATON, WILLIAM F.—To Western Nebraska, December 6.

STUCKERT, HOWARD M.—Resigned, House of Prayer, December 31; to New Jersey, December 31.

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